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#### TOWN COUNCIL.

NUMEROUS TOPICS DISCUSSED AT MONDAY NIGHT'S SESSION.

Linden Avenue Case Still Pending-Short Term Sewer Bond Issue Reduced Petitions for Street Lights and Sidewalks-Street Name Ordinance Tabled.

When the Town Council met Monday night the Linden avenue case was the first item of business taken up. Chairman Peterson asked Charles W. Powers if the Citizens' Committee, of which Mr. Powers is Chairman, was ready for

Mr. Powers stated that the Citizens' Committee with Mr. Olmsted had gone over a part of the measurements, but as Mr. Oimsted was compelled to leave town on business the work was still in complete, but Mr. Olmsted had prom ised to be here in time to finish it up so that a report could be made at the next Council meeting.

Councilman Conlan of the Finance Committee submitted the financial report of Town Treasurer Osborne for the month of July. On motion of Mr. Conian the Treasurer was authorized to redeem two of the short term sewe bonds of \$1,000 each, and to pay the Interest due on the short term sewer bond issue, amounting to \$560.

Councilman Walker requested that the Franchise Committee investigate the Franchise Committee investigate
the new transfer system put into operation on August 1 by the Public Service

Earned runs—Watseseing 5. Two-base hits—
A. Dailey 2, Hambacher, Durning, Ellor 2,
Boltz. Stolen bases—Bay View Wheelmen—3.
Passed balls—Cail. Bases on balls—Off Taylor Corporation.

Councilman Chabot submitted a petion for street lights in East Passaic renue and a sidewalk on Watsessing wenue. The petitions were referred to the proper committees.

Councilman Moore of the Legal and Franchise Committee reported that the Gien Ridge Borough Council had passed resolution instructing the Legal Comnittee of the Council to act in co-operation with the Legal Committee of the Town Council in adjusting the boundary line between the town and borough at Edgewood road.

Mr. Moore introduced by title an ordinance under which it is proposed to lace public pool-rooms under license guiations.

The franchise application of the Essex oss Baliway Company was laid over as

Councilman Harrison stated that a ect lemp on Beneon street, located ut one hundred feet in from Broad et, was so obscured by trees as to nost useless for lighting purposes, So requested that the Street Lighting Committee change the location of the pp to the street corner. The matter referred to the Sidewalk Committee

Councilman Harrison brought up the ubject of transportation for Excelsion use Company's fire wagon and the tter was referred to the Fire Comfitee with power.

The filing of the financial report of the Board of Education was announced by the Clerk.

Chief of Police Collins reported twenty arrests made during the month of July and \$53 collected in fines.

Martin J Caliablan was the only bidder for the work of constructing the Grove street sewer.

The Clerk reported no objections to he Board of Assessors' reports of the ssessments levied for the Delaware venue improvement and the Charles reet sewer, and the Collector of Taxes as directed to send out the bills.

The ordinance relating to street mes was brought up for final passage d was assailed by Mr. Moore as a less piece of legislation and was laid the table.

## A Puzzie to Police.

etective Sergeant James Bell of East nge, who has had a long experience police and detective work, says that police of the Oranges are up against ardest proposition they ever struck eir efforts to capture the burgiar a known throughout the Oranges, clair and this town as the man with nall hand. This is the thief who entrance to houses by cutting from the door panels. His work, ive Bell says, is the boldest and eliberate of any crank that the ave had experience with, and the and puzzling feature of it is e of his plunder ever comes to the pawnshops, fences, or other here thieves usually dispose of ods. The man with the small s made extensive hauls in the Gien Bidge, Montelair and this in nearly every case his work uce of daring and deliberateseveral instances he has not to eat or drink some of the that he has found in cellars while engaged in plundering

il. Start with us now,-Adet, | get in or out of the seats,

#### Base-Ball.

In the game of base-ball Saturday afternoon on the Arlington avenue grounds between the Watesesing Club and the Bay View Wheelmen's Club there was every indication of a shut-out for the visiting club, but in the fifth inning Short-stop Frank Ferguson of the Watsessings to making a short throw to second base threw wide and an opportunity for a double play was lost. This was the beginning of a series of errors in that inning that resulted in the visiting club scoring five runs, and made a cirse game out of what was thought would be a one-sided contest. The home team did some heavy batting in the first inning and got a safe lead of four runs. The score of the game was as follows:

B.	H.	P. O.	A.	E.
F. Ferguson, s. s 0	1	2	Y	4
Hambacher, 3b 2		4	4	1
A. Datley, 1b 2	2	9	0	1
Durning, p	3	0	3	U
Ellor, 2b 1	2	5	3	ī
Call, c 0	1	4	2	0
Morrison, c. f 0	1	3	o	0
Couners, r. f 1	1	0		C
Bradley, l. f 0	1	0	0	0
_	-	-	-	-
Totals 8	15	27	13	7
BAY VIEW WHEEL	MES	¥.		
R,	H.	P. O.	A.	E.
Cort, s. s	0	0	4	1
Clark, r. f	2	1	0	0
Bolta, c. f	2	3	0	0
Devine, 1b	U	10	1	1
Andres, c 1	1	3	0	ō
Yaeck, 2b 0	3	8	4	1
Вжееру, 3b 9	0	2	2	î
Scheller, I. f	0	ī	0	0
Taylor, p 1	0	i	3	U
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WATSESSING.

SCURE BY INNINGS

1, off Durning 2. Bit by pitcher—By Durning 4. Struck out—By Taylor 3, by Durning 4. Left on bases—Watsessing 7, Bay View Wheelmen 11. Double plays—Taylor to Yack. Umpire—Wm. Hayburst, Time 2h, Attendance

This afternoon the Watsessings will play the Ironsides of Newark on the Arlington avenue grounds.

#### Accident Averted.

Policeman Shorter's vigilance Tuesday night no doubt averted a serious accident on the Etle Railroad. The heavy fall of rain loosened the dirt behind the Broad street bridge abutment on the west side of Broad street and washed it down on to the sidewalk. Officer Shorter was patroiling Broad street that night, and when he saw the large pile of dirt on the sidewalk be climbed the embankment and found that it had come from under the railroad ties, several of which were suspended to the rails with no dirt at all under them. Officer Shorter bastened to the railroad station and informed the agent there of the dangerous condition of the track, and danger signals were put out and a gang of workmen was dispatched to the place

Several men and teams were employed Wednesday in removing the blockade from the Broad street sidewalk. The falling of dirt from the ratiroad embankment of Broad street to the sidewalk is of frequent occurrence, and the ratiroad company is incurring a great and dangerous risk in not building re-

The storm of Tuesday did considerable damage throughout the town. The streams overflowed their banks, cellars were flooded, and several breaks in the roads were reported.

# A Bold Thief.

Robert Miller, who claimed Lebanon, Pa., as his home, was arrested by Officer Durning at the Wainut street station of Mrs. Adams, upon inquiry, located them the Erie Sailroad Tuesday night on a in the Brick Row on Bloomfield avenue. charge of stealing, and was committed It is said that there was a scene beto jall to await the action of the grand | tween busband and wife when they first

Miller got aboard a Greenwood Lake train at Jersey City. When the conductor called for tickets Miller claimed that he had no ticket and no money. He was ordered off the train at Walnut street station, and in going out of the car he picked up a grip and took it out | the papers, had threatened to commit with him. The grip belonged to a Cald-Cedar Grove. He reported the loss to threat into execution, concluded to rethe trainmen, and a telegram was sent | turn to her family. to the agent at Walnut street to look out for Miller, and if he was around the station to cause his arrest. Assistant Agent Shorter was in charge of the station, and he telephoned for a policeman. Officer Durning was sent to the station, and he and Shorter found Miller under the platform rifling the grip. - He was taken to the station house and Erie detectives made a charge against him. Miller confessed to having been in jail several times before for various offences

Cannot Ride on Front Seats. The Orange and Passalc Valley Railway has passed a rule excluding passengers from the front seats of the open trolley cars. There was considerable grumbling on the part of passengers that the fire was in Gien Ridge territory. during the rush hour because the new | The fire was a stubborn one, and the rule left places for six persons vacant, Motormen say they cannot understand the new rule, for they have no trouble and Chief Gardner put his men to work. with passengers on the front seats. The fire resulted in a very heavy loss, Some of the cars have front seats which turn over and when some of the pasway to save-stop paying sengers are forced to ride backward

#### FLAGSTONE SIDEWALKS.

Councilman Moore, Chairman of the Sidewalk Committee, Addresses the Town Council on the Sidewalk Question-He Tells Why the People Have Not Been Forced to Put Down Sidewalks, and Also How Stone Walks Can Be Obtained Without Cumbrous Legal Proceed-

Councilman Chabot at the Town Council meeting Monday night submitted petition for a sidewalk on the north side of Watsessing avenue from the Lackswanna Railroad to Ellor street. The petition was not in accordance with the method of procedure required by the statute and was referred to the Sidewalk Committee for amendment.

Councilman Chabot asked Chairman Peterson if the Sidewalk Committee had taken any action with regard to the improvement of Orange street sidewalks, as requested by the chairman.

Councilman Moore, chairman of the Sidewalk Committee, in reply to Mr Chabot's inquiry said that the Sidewalk Committee had given consideration to the Orange street sidewalk and to the sidewalks on many other streets of the town, but with a tax rate of \$3.10 the Sidewalk Committee did not want to soak the people with any heavier taxation than they were at present suffering from. The Sidewalk Committee, Mr Moore said, wanted to do a great deal in the matter of sidewalks, but until some of the other departments of the govern-

ment were disposed to retrench in their

expenditures sidewalk work would have

Mr. Moore said he would like to see continuous flagstone walk on at least one side of every street in town, but under the present conditions it would not be right to force property-owners to put down walks. The law, Mr. Moore said, authorized the Council to order a flagstone sidewalk in every part of the town and assess the cost on the property

With respect to the Watsessing avenue petition submitted by Mr. Chabot Mr. Moore said there was no necessity for any red tape in the proceedings. If the people who want that sidewalk represent the entire frontage between the points named all that was necessary was to apply for the sidewalk and the Town Engineer would furnish the grade and the walk would be laid under the supervision of the Sidewalk Committee,

Mr. Moore cited several instances where sidewalks had recently been laid without the ceremony of advertisement and assessment. This method of obtaining sidewalks of course means cash in

## Home Again.

Mrs. Cella Adams, wife of Edward Adams, who deserted her home and two infant children last week in company with her cousin, Mrs. Minnette DeBaun, returned late Saturday night. Mrs. Adams refused to make a statement beyond admitting that she had been at Coney Island, where she had left Mrs. DeBaun. The two became separated and Mrs. Adams concluded to return to her family. When she arrived home she found that the house had been stripped of all the furniture, ber husband and mother having taken apartments in another section of the town. met, but they finally came to an understanding and the wife was permitted to

A friend of the family said that Mrs. Adams had admitted being at Coney Island with Mrs. DeBaun, who, upon reading the account of their flight in suicide. The two women became sepawell passenger, who did not realize that | rated Saturday and Mrs. Adams, thinkit was gone until he got up to get out at | ing that her companion had carried her

## Disastrous Fire.

The handsome residence of Mrs. G. R. Zell, corner of Lincoln street and Frank-Iln place, Glen Ridge borough, was destroyed by fire Thursday night. The house was unoccupied, the family being at the sea-shore. The furniture in the house was destroyed by fire and water, It was about ten o'clock when the alarm was sounded from box 61, and the borough fire department responded. Au alarm from box 68 in Montolair was also sent in, and two hose companies and the truck company from that town responded to the alarm, but refrained from taking any action when it was found making too much headway, requested the assistance of the Montelair firemen, which cannot be fully determined until Mrs. Zell returns.

#### FIRE HORSES.

A Subject Discussed by the Town Council Monday Night - Excelsior Hose Company Without Transportation-Mr. Hallinan Makes a Prop-

An important fire matter was dissussed by the Town Council Monday night. The subject was transportation of the fire company's apparatus. The discussion was brought about by Councliman Harrison, who stated that Excelsior Hose Company in the Second Ward was unable to get a horse for the fire wagon on the occasion of an alarm of fire. The situation was a serious one, Dr. Harrison said, and demanded the immediate attention of the Fire Committee. An offer made by Thomas Hallinan to supply a horse was submitted by Dr. Harrison. It was in effect as follows: Mr. Hallinan offers to purchase a horse suitable for drawing the fire wagon and he will keep it in readiness for that purpose for a consideration of wenty-five dollars per month.

Chairman Peterson said that if such pian was adopted by the Fire Committee for Excelsior Hose Company it would have to be immediately applied to all the companies and would cause an increase of several hundred dollars in the maintenance of the fire department. Councilman Walker of the Second Ward spoke on the serious condition of affairs at Excelsior Hose House on account of the lack of transportation facilities. Mr. Walker was desirous that the Fire Committee should begin at once an investigation of the situation at Excelsior Hose House, and make speedy arrangements for transportation facilities for the fire company. He personally offered to accompany Mr. Moore of the Fire Committee on Tuesday morning on a tour of investigation. had kindly offered the use of his own horse to the company in case of a fire, but the doctor's horse was too small for such work. Mr. Walker spoke of the importance of the Excelsion Hose Company as a part of the fire department, Beveral important industries were dependent woon the company for fire protection, and it was also located in the midst of a thickly populated part of the

#### Decline in Etiquette.

There is no department of the town government in wilch the recognition and observance of official etiquette is so necessary to proper administration as the Fire Department. This fact was fully appreciated and strictly observed in the early days of the department. Every move made in connection with fire matters had to conform to the off. cial red tape with the same severity, dignity and thoroughness that characterises the conducting of the United States Army. Some people smiled at the punctilous conventionalities observed by the firemen, but nevertheless the observance of department etiquette was highly beneficial to the firemen. It may appear a small thing to require a requisition from the Chief Engineer for the purchase of a box of matches. but the principle is just the same whether the purchase be matches or firehose. Of late years there has been a relaxation of the rigidity of discipline, and the observance of etiquette is disregarded in a corresponding degree. Matches, shoe-blacking, whisk-brooms and other sundries are purchased without the knowledge of the Chief Englneer, and other financial obligations are made in the name of the fire department that the chief officer knows nothing about until the bills are presented to him for approval. Even in such matters as plans for new fire-houses and improvements to the fire-alarm system the chief often gets knowledge of them outside of official circles. The Chief Engineer is regarded by the taxpayers as the head of the Fire Department, and they hold him responsible for an economic administration of its affairs. From this standpoint the Chief Engineer should have first and absolute say in all fire expenditures. Things have got to such a pass through the relaxation of discipline and the disregard of etiquette that an order for an inspection parade instead of being promptly acquiesced in stirs up a revolt in the ranks, and not a few firemen talk deflantly of their intention of ignoring department orders. Oh for a brief return from the shades of that master hand in Bloomfield fire affairs, Frank G. Tower! Businessmen's Holiday.

Businessmen's holiday was observed ou Wednesday and the majority of business places in the town were closed, some of them all day and others part of Island and indulged freely in all the through the valley. Safe investment and good interest, vanities of that place, winding up in partial Building and Loan the kness of persons in front of them tion, new series of shares open for subattended by many people,

The Pope and the Church, The sacred duty of the College of Cardinals in selecting a successor to Pope Leo XIII, was the theme of a discourse delivered by the Rev. J. M. Nardiello in the Church of the Sacred Heart on Sunday last. Father Nardiello spoke in exaited terms of the sublimity of the papacy. The cardinals, he said. are assembled in conclave to perform one of the highest and sublimest duties intrusted to them. Imagine the great responsibility placed upon them in order that the right one may be elected to guide three hundred miltions of people who follow and are obedient to the teachings of Peter and his successors.

"Try to realize the exalted position to which he is called who occupies the chair of Peter! How great the responsibility, how wonderful the duties of his office! Let us pray that a worthy successor may be elected to occupy the chair left vacant by our saintly Leo XIII. who so wisely governed the church for over a quarter of a century. What is taking place to-day has taken place for centuries past, when eligible men have been elected to govern the church.

" How true it is that Christ established the church is proven by the fact that we can trace to the days of Peter the regular succession of popes. Christ appointed Peter to guide and rule His church, and appointed him as his lawful successor. 'Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church.' Can there be any doubt in the minds of intelligent people that the church of God is infallibly the true church?

"Read the long list of Popes, 261, who from the time of Peter to the present day have governed the church. We are assured that the promise of Christ to be with His church to the end of time is verified. "'Behold I am with you all

"Christ in establishing His church appointed a successor, as he would not always remain its visible head. He appointed Peter as His successor, and in like manner on the death of St. Peter another was chosen, and so on to the present day.

"While we regret the death of our great Leo, we rejoice to know that the papacy still remains. The Pope shall die, but the papacy is indestructible. for the maintenance of order and discipline, it is necessary to have a spiritual king. Can we imagine a kingdom without a king, an empire without its emperor? For instance, what would this country be without a President? Chaos and disorder would be the result.

"It is no great surprise to us to know that the death of Leo XIII, has called forth from Protestants generous expressions of sympathy. At the same time we can not allow the occasion to pass without defending the church from the utterances of some would-be teachers, who, in speaking admiringly of the Pope, falled not to cast slurs upon some of the teachings of our great church. Even in this town some, in addressing an intelligent-congregation, expressed the desire that idolatry be abolished in the Catholic Church. They also informed their peopie that we are forbidden to read the Scriptures. The old poison still courses their veins, but it is amezing that in these days of enlightenment such falsehood should be uttered.

"It is untrue that we worship idole, That calumny has time and time again been refuted. We honor and respect images, etc., as being representatives of Christ and His saints; we do not adore them as gods. It is likewise untrue that we are forbidden to study and read the Bible. On the contrary, we are commanded to read and study it. We are not allowed to draw our own conclusions from it—as we are forbidden to interpret the constitution and laws of the United States, so also are we forbidden to interpret the Bible according to our own views. As there is a Supreme Court of the United States to pass judgment upon them so there is a supreme authority in the Church to explain the Scriptures."

Summer Night's Festival. The members of the Ascension Chapel congregation are busily engaged with arrangements for a grand summer night's festival on Wednesday evening, August 26. The affair will take place on the premises of Charles Vogelius, No. 120 Montgomery street. Music, games, supper and several other attractions appropriate to an outdoor fete will be features of this occasion.

## Big Rain Storm.

A tremendous rain storm passed over the northern part of this county after midnight Thursday night. Brookdale sermon. got a good share of it, and much damwas done on the vegetable farm the day. The threatening weather up. | there and in Biehfield. The Third Biver set the plane of several intended plea. valley was flooded, and people residing sure tripe. The Round Table Club near that stream say that they never braved the weather and went to Coney saw such a torrent of water rushing

holders,-Advi.

# NOT SATISFACTORY

FAULT FOUND WITH THE PUBLIC SER-VICE CORPORATION'S NEW TRANSFER SYSTEM.

Bloomfield Not Treated as Fairly as Orange-The Town Council Instructs the Franchise Committee to Make an Investigation-A Citizen's Exposition of the Transfer System.

The transfer system put into opera-

tion on August 1 by the Public Service Corporation between the Orange and Passaic Valley Street Railway and the North Jersey system does not give satstaction here, on account of alleged discrimination against Bloomfield patrons of the two lines. Councilman Walker of the Second Ward, representing a constituency that it was assumed would derive more benefit from the transfer system than any other part of the town, informed the Town Council Monday night that there was much dissatisfaction in his ward over the operation of the transfer system. Mr. Walker said that he had been informed that people coming from Newark could not get a transfer from the North Jersey Company's Bloomfield Avenue line to the Passaic Valley line north on Broad Street towards Bay Avenue. In so far as the Second Ward was concerned the transfer system thus applied was of but little practical benefit. He requested that the Franchise Committee of the Council make an inquiry as to the official rulings of the Public Service Corporation in regard to transfer regulations and report the same to the Council.

A resident of Spruce Street, who had evidently devoted some time and study in arriving at an understanding of the transfer regulations, gave the Council the tenent of his effort in the following

To the Honorable Town Council of Bloomfield, N. J.

GENTLEMEN: Will you allow me to call your attention to some facts in regard to the new transfer arrangements between the Orange and Passaic Valley and North Jersey lines, which I have learned from various conductors I know, who are men of experience and who, I am sure, are not misunderstanding their orders? They are

1st. A passenger from Newark via the Bloomfield line may not transfer for five cents to Bay Lane.

2d. A passenger from Orange Valley or Bay Laue may transfer for five cents to Newark via Bloomfield Avenue.

3d. A passenger from Bloomfield may transfer for five cents to Newark via either Bloomfield Avenue or Main Street 4th. A passenger from Newark via Main Street may transfer to Bay Lane

5th. A passenger from Bay Lane may not go beyond the shanty on a five-cent fare going northwest.

6th. A passenger from Montglair may go to Bay Lane or Orange Valley for five

7th. A passenger from Caldwell paying ten cents at one time may not go to Bay Lane or Orange Valley, but he may go provided he is wise enough to pay five cents at a time.

These facts all speak for themselves and show in a most vivid manner the gross injustice of the new arrangement. with the Bloomfield people as the greatest sufferers.

I send this communication with a view of possibly bringing before you facts that you are not acquainted with. and with the hope that, should investigation prove the statements to be true, we shall put an end to such ridiculousness. Yours respectfully,

# ALBERT E. CRANE.

Installation Service. The ordination and installation of the Rev. H. A. Steininger as pastor of the German Evangelical Lutheran Church will take place to-morrow. The services will be conducted by P. Richter of Hoboken and P. Von Hollen of New York. The Rev. Mr. Steininger first preached in the church of which he will now be the permanent pastor July 5, He was born in Germany in 1872, as the son of a clergyman of the Lutheran denomination, and after having studied theology and philosophy in Leipsie took a course in philology and the classics in Erlangen, Muenchen and Rome, He was in the field of literature for five years in Berlin before he passed a brilliant examination for his life work. Four days after he landed in this country with his wife he preached his first

## Theatrical Notes,

Mr. Charles L. Warren and his partner, Mr. Al. Shean, have signed with the Von Tilzer Opera Company (under the direction of George W. Lederer) to play the principal parts in the new comic opera "The Fisher Malden," (music by Bloomfield Building and Loan Associa- Harry Von Tilser, book by Arthur J. home—subscribe for shares they become so tightly wedged against Bloomfield Building and Loan Associa- Luna Park in the evening. The German tion; new series of shares still open at the new shares opened at par that it is almost impossible to either scription at par value Monday night. Soin our list of share September 16, to be followed by a run on Broadway.

